
3) CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS

Senate not in session. Will reconvene March 22nd.

WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION

3/17 – 2118 Rayburn Bldg, 10am. House Armed Services Committee, full committee hearing on combating the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Witnesses: TBA. Contact: 225-4151 recorded schedule 225-2675, <http://www.house.gov/hasc/schedules/>

GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS SPECTRUM

3/17 – 2154 Rayburn Bldg, 10am. House Government Reform Committee, National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations Subcommittee hearing, "U.S. Preparation for the World Radio Conferences: Too little, too late?" Witnesses: Jeffrey Shane, undersecretary for transportation policy, Transportation Department; William Readdy, associate administrator for space flight, NASA; Michael Gallagher, acting assistant secretary for communications and information, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Commerce Department; Kathleen Abernathy, commissioner, Federal Communications Commission; David Gross, U.S. coordinator, International Communications and Information Policy, State Department; Lin Wells, acting administrator, Networks and Information Integration (NII), Defense Department; James Schlesinger, Center for Strategic and International Studies; John Bryant, former representative, D-Texas and ambassador to the 1997 World Radio Conference; Gail Schottler, ambassador to the 2000 World Radio Conference; Janice Obuchowski, ambassador to the 2003 World Radio Conference. Contact: 225-5074, <http://reform.house.gov/NSETIR/Schedule/?Timeframe=Future&CategoryID=111>

ASIA OUTLOOK

3/17 – 2172 Rayburn Bldg, 10:30am. Asian and the Pacific Subcommittee hearing, "The United States and Asia: Continuity, Instability and Transition." Witnesses: Richard Scalpino, research professor emeritus of government, University of California at Berkeley; **Peter Ennis**, Washington Bureau chief, Weekly Toyo Keizai and contributing editor, The Oriental Economist Report; Edward Masters, co-chairman, U.S.-Indonesia Society; Teresita Schaffer, director, South Asia Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies. Contact: 225-5021, http://wwwc.house.gov/international_relations/108/ap031704.htm

PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

3/18 – H-309, U.S. Capitol, 10am. House Appropriations Committee, Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary Subcommittee, and Related Agencies hearing on FY2005 appropriations for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Witnesses: Jon Dudas, director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Contact: 225-2771, <http://appropriations.house.gov/index.cfm?FuseAction=Hearings.Detail&HearingId=298&Month=3&Year=2004>

SADDAM'S MONEY

3/18 – 2128 Rayburn Bldg, 10am. House Financial Services Committee, Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee hearing, "The Hunt for Saddam's Money: U.S. and Foreign Efforts to Recover Iraq's Stolen Money." Contact: 225-7502, <http://financialservices.house.gov/event.asp?comm=4>

U.S.-RUSSIA RELATIONS

3/18 – 2172 Rayburn Bldg, 10:30am. House International Relations Committee, full committee hearing on "U.S. Russian Relations in Putin's Second Term." Witnesses: The Honorable A. Elizabeth Jones, assistant secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, U.S. Department of State; Leon Aron, Ph.D., resident scholar, American

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Enterprise Institute; The Honorable Steven R. Sestanovich, senior fellow, Council on Foreign Relations; Nikolas K. Gvosdev, Ph.D., senior fellow in strategic studies, The Nixon Center. (Witnesses may be added) Contact: 225-5021, http://www.house.gov/international_relations/108/ful:031804.htm

NASA/DEFENSE SPACE TRANSPORTATION

3/18 – 2318 Rayburn Bldg, 1pm. House Science Committee, Space and Aeronautics Subcommittee hearing on NASA-Department of Defense Cooperation in Space Transportation. Contact: 225-6371, <http://www.house.gov/science/committeeinfo/schedule.htm>

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